

THE DAILY FREE PRESS,
BODIE, CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 1881.
THE RESIGNATIONS.

The resignation of Senators Conkling and Platt, as announced elsewhere in this morning's dispatches, is certainly a bold move upon the part of the great New Yorker. It is in its nature something like the British system of proroguing Parliament, which is done for the purpose of sending the members back to the people to ascertain whether their acts will be indorsed by a re-election. The present Legislature of New York is Republican, and was chosen last fall at the same time that State gave a majority for Garfield. Doubtless the Senator argues that if this Legislature should re-elect him his opposition to Robertson would be indorsed by the people. Whatever may be the result, from a party standpoint it must be regarded as unfortunate that a quarrel of so much bitterness should have been precipitated thus early in the term of the new administration. While Robertson will doubtless be confirmed, Conkling and Platt will probably be re-elected, and Conkling will have thus secured a greater prestige in his defeat than he could from a primary victory. There is no former instance on record of a Senator resigning to secure a vindication of his course, and this movement upon the part of Conkling can but challenge the admiration of all who admire bold action.

We are sometimes told that the reason why we have no steam shipping on the seas is because the American people have found it more profitable to put their money into railroad and other enterprises that have paid them better. What this apology is worth may be seen by the report of the Cunard Steamship Company for the year 1880, just published. The report shows net profits amounting to £193,811, and after deducting the interim dividend and interest paid to 30th of June last and providing for depreciation, insurance, etc., there remains a balance of £33,385, which is appropriated to dividends on fully paid shares and interest on new shares at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. This is much more profitable than putting money in Government bonds or in railroad ventures of the average kind.

An English writer, referring to the melancholy atmosphere of St. Petersburg, ascribes it to the fact that the city is nothing more nor less than a huge prison, with about 150,000 jailers in civil and military uniform to look after about 500,000 prisoners, of whom a tithe, perhaps, may be legally or illegally desirous of having a free Constitution established, while the remaining nine-tenths do not know what a free Constitution is, are not fit to enjoy its privileges, and would not know what to do with a Constitution if they got one, beyond setting forth, much more swiftly than their own sledges ever traveled, post haste to the devil mundanely speaking.

There is a raging discussion in progress just now over the question as to whether Thomas Jefferson was an infidel. Many charitably disposed persons have come to the defense of the great politician's reputation, in attempts to show that he believed in a deity. It does not amount to much, however, to prove that Jefferson was not a disbeliever in religion, as far as the practical effects upon the future of his existence was concerned—a believer in the doctrine of States' rights.

Our Dutch ancestor, says a New York paper, knew how to avoid dead-locks. When one of the Governors of New Amsterdam was remonstrated with for exercising arbitrary power he condescended to appoint a committee of two to administer the grave affairs of the State. He named himself and another as the council, but, in order to break any possible deadlock, provided that he should have two votes to the other's one.

Even a millionaire has his share of miseries. Vanderbilt has gone to Europe because his digestion is out of order; Thomas A. Scott, the railroad magnate, is dying; Jay Gould has the gout, and even an editor may have the toothache. Verily wealth and fame have serious drawbacks.

New York's Croton water is full of fish, eels, mud, straw, leaves, wigglers, tadpoles and sixteen other miscellaneous articles, and people who drink it have to put cotton in their ears and think of something they, way off.

CONKLING'S SURPRISE.

HE OFFERS HIS RESIGNATION AS
A SENATOR,
AND IS JOINED BY HIS
COLLEAGUE PLATT.

THE CAPITAL ASTONISHED AT
THIS BOLD MOVE.

Speculations as to the Probable
Result, Etc.

[Special Dispatch to the Free Press.]
A Sanation—Resignation of Sen-
ators Conkling and Platt.

New York, May 16.—Senator Con-
kling and Senator Platt have resigned
as United States Senators for the
State of New York. This morning
the Vice President laid before the
Senate the following communication:

WASHINGTON, May 16, 1881.
Sir: Will you please announce to
the Senate that my resignation as
Senator of the United States from the
State of New York, has been for-
warded to the Governor of the State.
I have the honor to be, with great re-
spect, Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) ROSCOE CONKLING.

This communication caused a great
sensation, which was heightened when
the Vice President laid the following
before the Senate:

SENATE CHAMBER, May 16, 1881.
Sir: I have forwarded to the Gov-
ernor of the State of New York my
resignation as Senator of the United
States for the State of New York.
Will you please announce the fact to
the Senate. With great respect,
Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) T. C. PLATT.

Great astonishment followed the
reading of the communications, and
Hill of Georgia suggested (sotto voce)
that this would be a good time to
elect officers of the Senate.

Great Excitement Over the Resig-
nations.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The official
notification to the Senate to-day that
the resignations of Senators Conkling
and Platt had been forwarded to the
Governor of New York took everybody
by surprise. An Associated Press re-
porter mixed among Senators to get
opinions. The surprise was so com-
plete that the Senators had not time
to form opinions and generally ex-
pressed conjectures. One Republi-
can Senator said that Conkling and
Platt would be re-elected by the New
York Legislature now in session, and
that will be claimed as an endorsement
of their opposition to Robertson at
the hands of the Republican party of
New York. Republicans all feel sure
of Conkling's re-election, but some
few have doubts about Platt. The
Democratic Senators universally ex-
press gratification at the resignations.
They say it widens the breach in the
Republican party of New York and
increases the bitterness of the stal-
warts toward the Administration. The
Democrats now have a majority of the
Senate, but so far as can be learned
no attempt will be made toward re-
forming the committees. Pendleton,
chairman of the Democratic caucus,
said no such action will be thought of;
that the committees will remain as
now organized.

Why Conkling and Platt Resigned

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The an-
nouncement of the resignation of
Senators Conkling and Platt was
heard with unbounded astonishment
and it created great excitement at the
Capitol. It was apparently a total
surprise to everybody. Neither Con-
kling nor Platt has been at the Capitol
to-day, and in the absence of another
explanation from them, free rum is
given to speculation, gossip and con-
jecture. The interpretation generally
given by this unexpected act is that
the New York Senators, in view of
the certainty of defeat if they con-
tinue their contest against Robertson's
nomination, have concluded to appeal
to the Legislature and the people of
their State for vindication of their
cause on the question, meanwhile
leaving Robertson's confirmation to
be effected by the Senate under Demo-
cratic control. Their resignations are
also understood to be intended as an
expression of disgust at what they
characterize as an unhalloved com-
bination of administration influences
to defeat and humiliate them person-
ally, and further the Democratic
party's purpose to foster discord and
dissension in the Republican ranks of
New York. The New York Legisla-
ture is still in session and it is not ex-
pected to adjourn for four weeks.
The probability is that the Senate will
proceed to confirm Robertson within
the next few days and adjourn sine
die.

Various Views Upon the Subject.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—An ex-Sen-
ator, a close friend of Conkling, said
to-day that the resignations are abso-
lute and that nothing could procure
their withdrawal. The supporters of
Conkling state that the resignations
were offered because the New York
Senators feel that they have been
badly treated by the administration;
that Robertson's nomination was
made at the instigation of Blaine to
put Conkling down; that both the
Senators and the Vice-President pro-
tested against the warfare against the
regular Republican organization of
New York, but all their efforts failed.
They help to maintain the Republican
party of the Empire State, and rather
than remain to be put down and in-
sulted, both Senators resigned. This
is a stroke of policy which it has been
rumored Conkling had in view. The
New York Legislature cannot fill the
vacancies before the second Tuesday
after a notification is received.

Of the eight men who ran on
the four Presidential tickets of
1860, only one is alive to-day—
Hannibal Hamlin.

EASTERN NEWS.

A WOMAN WHO DID NOT ENJOY
MARRIED LIFE.

[Special Dispatches to the Free Press.]
Mahone's Position.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—Senator
Mahone now thinks that the failure of
the Republicans to elect the officers of
the Senate this session will not
seriously cripple his party in the ap-
proaching struggle in Virginia, and
that he can go into the canvass nearly
as strong as though the Senate had
been reorganized. His supporters
know that in the fight they will have
the powerful co-operation of the Re-
publican leaders as well as the Ad-
ministration itself. The President is
in hearty sympathy with the move-
ment, and he will give practical evi-
dence of the faith that is in him at
the proper moment. It is no longer
doubted here that the whole power of
the Administration will be exerted to
bring all the elements hostile to the
continuation of the Bourbon rule in
Virginia together in one common
cause.

Just at this time there are quite a
number of local Republican leaders
who do not like the idea of joining
hands with the Mahone party and
contributing to its elevation at the ex-
pense of the regular Republican or-
ganization. These men admit that
there is no chance of the Republicans
carrying the State, yet they are not
disposed to help along the anti-Bour-
bon movement. If the Republicans
join forces with Mahone the regular
Democratic organization in the State
will go to the wall, which is the best
thing that can happen to the Republi-
can party and the country.

Committing Suicide the Day After
Her Marriage.

PHILADELPHIA, May 16.—On
Thursday morning a woman leaped
from the Gerard avenue bridge into
the Schuylkill River and was drowned.
Her hat and veil having been identi-
fied as the property of Mrs. Mary
Patterson, 23 years of age, who was
married on Wednesday the day be-
fore she committed suicide. Her hus-
band, John Patterson, is a hosiery
manufacturer. Her friends believe
that the prospect of continued poor
health and the excitement attending
her marriage had affected her reason.

A Toll Gate Racket.

CINCINNATI, May 16.—James W.
Swallow, eighteen years old, who,
with friends attempted to cross the
toll house at Vengence without pay-
ing, returned at midnight with friends
and in an altercation which ensued he
shot the bridge keeper, Reimers, dead.
He made his escape.

PACIFIC COAST.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE
LOWER COUNTRY.

[Special Dispatches to the Free Press.]
Bonanza Suits.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—The bo-
nanza suits were in Court before Judge
Sullivan this morning. An argument
was made by Mr. Bergin in regard to
the cases which were dismissed and
concerning which counsel for Peter
Christal had resisted with the asser-
tion that the same was the result of a
corrupt bargain between the parties.
Mr. Bergin appeared to show cause
why the cases should not be restored
to the calendar. In his opening he
spoke with considerable feeling rela-
tive to the charges of fraud and collu-
sion, saying that during a very active
practice of years no such imputations
had ever been made concerning his
partner or himself, and that they were
anxious and unnecessary. Judge Sul-
livan stated the motion was strictly ex-
parte thus far, and there was of course
no such proof as yet in the case.

The Killing of Geo. G. Blair.

EUREKA, Nev., May 16.—The Sen-
tinel has information from Osceola,
White Pine county, that George G.
Blair, who was stabbed at that place
last week by a man named Middleton,
has since died. The trouble grew out
of a disagreement between the women
of the two families. Then the men
got into words over the affair and
Middleton called Blair a liar. There-
upon Blair struck him in the face,
when Middleton, in return, gave him
the fatal stab. Middleton has been
lodged in the Hamilton jail on a charge
of murder. Blair has only been mar-
ried only about two months. This is
the second member of the last Nevada
Assembly who has been killed since
the adjournment—Captain Adams of
Eureka, and now Blair of White Pine.

Drowned—Killed in a Well.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—An un-
known boy was found drowned near
the Jackson street wharf to-day.
A laborer digging a well at the cor-
ner of Kearny and Broadway was
killed by a bucket falling on him and
breaking his neck.

They Wanted More Liberty.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—Last night
Henry Riley and Thomas J. Wilson
made an attempt to escape from the
county jail. They reached the street,
but were recaptured, Riley being shot
twice by the pursuing officers.

Accidentally Drowned.

MERCED, May 16.—Walter Cole, a
farmer, residing one mile south of
Snelling, was drowned at 10 o'clock
yesterday while fording the river.

FOREIGN NEWS.

BY WAY OF THE ATLANTIC
CABLE.

[Special Dispatches to the Free Press.]
All's Well that Ends Well.

LONDON, May 16.—Lord Shrews-
bury will marry Mrs. Munday, with
whom he eloped a short time ago, as
soon as her husband procures a
divorce. His Lordship has already
settled a large sum of money upon
her. People wondered by what means
the lady's brother so quickly discov-
ered the fugitives' hiding place on the
Continent, and it is now said that at
the proper time their whereabouts
was judiciously communicated to her
relatives by Mrs. Munday herself.

Unpleasant Feelings.

VIENNA, May 16.—The Franco-Tu-
nisan treaty has created a very un-

pleasant feeling here. The interests
of Austria are not directly touched,
but there are misgivings as to the
ultimate result of such peace-endings.
Disappeared.

LONDON, May 16.—The captain of
the steamer Somerset, at Bristol, from
New York disappeared during the
passage. It is supposed he fell over-
board.

Falling Off.

PARIS, May 16.—The French ex-
ports for the first few months of the
present year show a decrease of 52,-
000,000 francs compared with a cor-
responding period last year, and the
imports a decrease of 25,000,000.

Fire and Loss of Life.

LONDON, May 16.—A fire occurred
on the Port Bello road, London, in
which a father, mother and four
children were burned.

Resignation of an Army Officer.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 16.—The
Emperor has accepted the resigna-
tion of Gen. Melikoff and has ap-
pointed Gen. Ignatiev to succeed him.
The change creates great uneasiness
in political circles.

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THE WALKING MATCH.

WILCOX FALLS DOWN EARLY
IN THE RACE.

How the Score Stood Last Evening
Freer Making a Fair Score,
But Nothing to Boast of.

[Special Dispatch to the Free Press.]

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Some of
the contestants in the walking match
which began at 10 o'clock Saturday
evening made very fair scores. Wil-
cox, Kennedy and Kobler dropped
out early in the race, with disordered
stomachs, having to their credit 45,
67 and 66 respectively. The others
were going in good form in the follow-
ing order at 5 o'clock this evening.
Doncer 180, Reid 174, G. Guerro, 174,
Edwards 169, Scott 152, Caton 140, P.
Guerro 147, Freer 129, Watson 109.

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Heavy Cheviot Suits,	15.00
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Fine Diagonal Suits,	20.00
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goods at the lowest figures. These advantages we are ready to
share with our patrons, and thus prove to every man that it is better
for him to trade with a house of good old repute, reliable, straight,
honest, and able to keep the largest stock, the greatest variety, the
choicest goods and buy at bed-rock prices. These are facts, and
we do hope that in this enlightened age and in this wide-awake
community there are none so blind, none so backward as not to be
able to distinguish between truth and fiction, between old reliable
and new blow-hards. Therefore, stick to those who have served
you best in the past, and, though we cannot boast of wealth, we
have ever kept faith with the people, and shall continue so, even
though the heavens fall!

We have purchased and offer to the people of Bodie, Mill Creek,
Bridgeport, Mammoth, Benton, Bishop Creek, Aurora, Cerro Gordo,
Gold Mountain, and Darwin the largest stock of the finest clothing
ever seen on the Pacific slope at so low a figure that it will astonish
everybody.

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SAN FRANCISCO STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY MORNING'S BOARD.

480 Ophir, 8 7/8, 7 3/4	250 Mexican, 11 1/4, 11 1/4
250 Gould & Curry, 6 1/2, 6 1/2	50 Best & Belcher, 11 1/4
100 California, 1 3/8	590 Savage, 4 20, 4 1/4
385 Con. Virginia, 2 40	100 Chollar, 3
60 Potasi, 3 60	220 Hale & Norcross, 4 95, 4 90
250 Crown Point, 2 70	265 Yellow Jacket, 4 10, 4 15, 4 20, 4 1/4
860 Imperial, 10c	265 Kentucky, 2 1/2
400 Belcher, 2 85	100 Confidence, 3 60
60 Alpha, 3 15	2910 Sierra Nevada, 14 1/2, 14 1/4, 14 1/8, 14 1/8, 14 1/8
195 Utah, 9 1/2, 9 1/4, 9 1/4	415 Bullion, 30c
350 Overman, 1 65	210 Justice, 10c
590 Union, 11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/4	610 Alta, 8 45, 8 40
350 California, 25, 30c	200 Silver Hill, 15c
100 New York, 15c	100 Lady Washington, 20c
390 Andes, 2 05, 2 10	315 Scorpion, 2 05
100 Capital, 80c	700 Solid Silver, 20c
400 Benton, 80, 85c	700 Concordia, 30c
200 New Wells-Fargo, 25c	

AFTERNOON BOARD.

405 Bodie, 7 6 1/2, 7	100 Syndicate, 45c
50 Bullion, 3 05	700 South Bodie, 25c
65 Mono, 2 10, 2	150 South Bodie, 15c
275 Jupiter, 30c	200 Adhenda, 20c
285 Nevada, 2 10, 2 05	100 North Nevada, 1 30
300 Oro, 55c	20 Silver King, 2 1/4
50 Day, 75c	50 Eureka Con., 3 1/4
25 Northern Belle, 19	200 Andes, 2 05, 2 10
400 Argentina, 40c	380 Alton, 3 1/4, 3 30
300 Wales, 1 1/4	200 North Belle Isle, 35c

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—P. M.

Albion, 3 1/2, 3 30 asked, 3 1/4 sales	Julia, 20 bid, 25 asked, 20c sales
Andes, 2 asked	Savage, 4 10 bid, 4 10 sales
Yellow Jacket, 4 10 asked, 4 10 bid	Sierra Nevada, 14 1/2 bid, 14 1/4 bid
Bullion, 30c bid	Mexican, 10 1/2 bid
Alta, 8 45 bid, 8 40 asked	Ophir, 7 1/2 bid, 7 1/4 asked, 7 1/2 sales
Hale & Norcross, 4 1/4 bid, 4 30 asked, 4 1/4 sales	Belcher, 7 1/2 bid, 7 1/4 sales
Benton, 80 bid, 85c asked	Scorpion, 1 30 bid, 1 30 sales
Best & Belcher, 11 1/4 bid, 11 1/4 asked	Chollar, 3 bid, 3 asked
Crown Point, 2 70 sales	Potasi, 3 60 bid, 3 60 sales
Gould & Curry, 6 1/2 bid, 6 1/2 asked	

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Arrivals Sunday.

FROM HAWTHORNE—BY STAGE.
Mrs. Brown, O. C. Stevenson,
Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Costello,
W. H. Richards, Miss O'Grady.

Arrivals Monday.

FROM HAWTHORNE.
John Brent, F. B. Lyle,
O. Reinstein, J. H. Douglas,
J. Devoy, J. C. Coleman,
A. Rosenwald.

Departures Sunday.

FOR HAWTHORNE.
W. P. Emerson, F. H. Emerson,
Geo. Cunningham.

Departures Monday.

FOR HAWTHORNE.
John Farrell, O. C. Stevenson,
May Howard.

Departures Sunday.

FOR CARSON—BY S. T. CO.'S COACH.
F. Cissendor, J. H. Wingo,
Kee Sing, James Gaylor.

Departures Monday.

FOR HAWTHORNE—BY WELLS-FARGO.
William Rabjohn.

Departures Monday.

TO LUNDY—BY HECTOR.
D. McDonald, Miss O'Brien,
Miss Bertha Said, A. Rosenwald.

Arrivals Monday.

FROM LUNDY—BY HECTOR.
Eugene Markey.

BORN.

OWEN—In Antelope Valley, Mono county, May 12th, Joseph M., only son of Morris Dick, aged 12 years.

DIED.

DICK—In Antelope Valley, Mono county, May 12th, Joseph M., only son of Morris Dick, aged 12 years.

Bodie and the Walking Match.

Our brief telegram noting the progress of the walking match in San Francisco states that Wilcox, the favorite, has fallen by the wayside, and that Freer is some distance behind and is not doing so well as his friends had reason to hope he would do. Wilcox it seems had a disordered stomach. This is a bad complaint, but there has been talkers ere this who were taken sick but did not abandon the track. George is ambitious, but has not got that amount of "sand" necessary for a long, hard pull. It remains to be seen what Freer is made of. The fact is, pedestrianism is an occupation not easily acquired. It takes years of patient and severe training to become fleet and enduring. It is to be hoped for the sake of Bodie's reputation that the "great unknown," as he has been styled, will come to the rescue, now that the FREE PRESS carrier has succumbed to a sour stomach, or whatever it may be called.

Soldiers' Meeting.

There is to be a meeting of ex-Union soldiers and sailors at Judge Newman's courtroom to-night, for the purpose of making further arrangements respecting the observance of Decoration Day, to which are invited all ex-Confederate veterans who would like to join in the ceremony. There was quite a full meeting last Friday night, and it is to be hoped that as many of the boys who have worn the blue as can will be present to-night.

Personal.

William Steel, of the London and San Francisco Bank and a large owner in the Oro mine, is in town inspecting the formation of the mineral belt.

IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

What is Being Said and Done in a Small Way.

Remember the lecture to-night. Stocks did not excite anybody yesterday.

Henry C. Callahan is in Silver Cliff, Colorado.

The Bon Ton lodging house will shortly change hands.

Go to-night and hear John Devoy, the eloquent Irish orator.

Charles N. Fox went out to Lundy Monday forenoon.

The May Lundy strike is not so great as first reported.

A grand dinner bill of fare at the Parlor Eating House to-day.

Turkey, chicken, all for 50c at the Parlor Eating House to-day.

Bodie's soap factory is still turning out a good dirt exterminator.

A grand turkey and chicken dinner at the Parlor Eating House to-day.

No extra charge for strawberries and cream at the Parlor Eating House.

Get your breakfast at the Parlor Eating House. Strawberries given away.

The latest from Bellevue is to the effect that the town is full of busted sports.

Each California agent, three dozen for \$1 or \$9 00 per case, at Wheaton & Lohrs.

Given away—strawberries and cream at the Parlor Eating House for breakfast to-day.

The Weekly Standard-News will be out on Wednesday. It will be a first-class number.

Elsewhere the University delinquent list appears. The sale of stock takes place on June 2d.

All the leading brands of cigarettes, smoking and chewing tobaccos to be had at Siegel & Co's.

W. H. Ellis paid four cents per pound to get his freight hauled to Bellevue. That was remarkably cheap.

The Violet, Guatemala, Bouquet, Owl, Manuel Garcia, and the Key West cigar at one bit each at Siegel & Co's.

The snow belt extends for four miles on each side of the summit. Teams are beginning to come and go through the Sonora Pass.

There are a number of "wants," "for sale," "go let" and other small advertisements in this paper which will pay some people to read.

Mrs. M. E. Chestnut has handsomely furnished rooms to let at the Windsor House, opposite the Postoffice for \$10, \$15 and \$20 to \$35 per month.

Siegel & Co. have got the largest stock of cigars in town. Saloon keepers surely can save money by buying their cigars of Siegel & Co.

Uncle Bob Folger says that the hop vines should be watered very tight around the poles, as the wind is always strong in the Big Meadows.

Spring fighs have made their appearance in numbers. Some are large and substantial. The winter's accumulation of bile has to be worked off some way.

The ranchers of the Big Meadows are now digging in the garden. Uncle Bob Folger, of the Union, advises them to plant the carrots with the small ends down.

It is reported that two or three marriages will be solemnized in Bridgeport shortly. Furniture dealers will be pleased to learn of this. Cook stove merchants should also be on the lookout.

Siegel & Co. make a specialty of mechanical pipes, and as they get their goods in this line direct from the East, we can safely say that they are able to undersell any house in town.

A great many people are complaining at the amount of water being put in the whisky and the high rate of toll on all the roads leading from Bodie. This world is full of growls of one kind or another.

This district is now supplied with a first-class article of weather. When business is slack there is a great deal of comfort extracted from loitering on the sunny side of the street. At least that is the general impression.

When white people start in to reform the laundry business they should be encouraged, not by words, but by patronage. The H. H. Laundry is now conducted by two ladies, who advertise elsewhere in this sober journal.

John Devoy, the talented Nationalist, will lecture to-night, in Miners' Union Hall, on "The Irish National Cause and Present Crisis." The subject will be ably handled. The hall should be crowded to the door. Every Irishman in town should be on hand.

A Man of Business.

Some men will prosper in a camp while their neighbors fail of success. The teamster who took W. H. Ellis' goods to Wood River is one of the former class. This man was owing the county something like \$100 for taxes, and to save this sum he concluded to skip out on Sunday, as on that day the officers could not interfere with his departure. A dollar saved is a dollar earned, a fact fully realized by the teamster in question. He went down as far as Sunshine on Sunday, and being across the State line fell at ease to sleep at leisure.

Bets on the Walk.

The report says: "George E. Wilcox, we understand, offers to bet \$250 that he will beat Kibler or Wilson, or that Freer will do the same. His backers are in town and loaded with money, which they are anxious to invest on the favorite. The same is the case with Kennedy from Virginia City. Numerous wagers have already been made around town upon the result, but the names of the favorites are so many it would take almost a six day's accounting to enumerate the bets.

What Barnes Says.

Andy Barnes, who beat a man named Dugan a few days ago, in Mill Creek, says that he had sent out to Jordan District, two hours before his trouble with Dugan, a lot of grub and blankets, and went to Tom Finn's cabin to work on his claim—not to escape arrest. Dugan had aggravated and abused him beyond endurance, and the hammering that Dugan received was well merited.

Fine Jewelry.

L. Hollander has concluded to dispose of his large stock of fine jewelry and table ware at less than cost. This will give our citizens an opportunity to buy gold and silverware at less than San Francisco prices—something they are not often in the custom of doing. Read the announcement published elsewhere.

Photos. Photos.

F. Struckman, the photographer, will leave Bodie on the 6th of June, and all those wishing pictures taken will have to secure a sitting before that time. Go and examine the sample work and you surely will be pleased.

Periscope rock crystal spectacles at L. Hollander's.

LOCAL MINING NEWS.

THE RECORD OF LAST WEEK'S OPERATIONS.

Prospects of Liveller Times in the Near Future—The Lent Shaft Resumption of Sinking.

In the Standard—The Red Cloud Shaft and the South End, Etc.

The following table shows the opening prices of the several Bodie stocks quoted in the San Francisco Stock and Exchange Board for each day of the week ending with Monday:

NAME.	TU.	WE.	TH.	FR.	SA.	MO.
Adhenda.....	25	25	25	25	25	25
Bodie.....	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Belcher.....	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Bullion.....	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Black'k.....	25	25	25	25	25	25
Boston'con.....	30	30	30	30	30	30
Booker.....	25	25	25	25	25	25
Champion.....	30	30	30	30	30	30
D. B. nad.....	15	15	15	15	15	15
E. N. nad.....	15	15	15	15	15	15
Goldshaw.....	60	60	60	60	60	60
Jupiter.....	30	30	30	30	30	30
Mon.....	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Nevada.....	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Oro.....	80	80	80	80	80	80
Par.....	50	50	50	50	50	50
Summit.....	55	55	55	55	55	55
S. Bodie.....	35	35	35	35	35	35
S. Bulwer.....	45	45	45	45	45	45
Syndicate.....	45	45	45	45	45	45
Toga.....	45	45	45	45	45	45
University.....	15	15	15	15	15	15

The past week has been devoid of anything sensational in a mining way, but to the observing mind it must be obvious that the district is rapidly approaching a period where the chances are greatly in favor of livelier times. The Lent shaft is now down to a level with the lowest workings of the old Bodie and Jupiter, and connection will soon be made, with a probable increase in the production of the Bodie mine. This will be followed by successive levels below the water line, where the rich Fortuna vein gives promise of wonderful results.

The Standard has resumed sinking the shaft below the 400-foot level, and the weekly report mentions very favorable ground in the west crosscut of the last named level. The report on Bulwer indicates the possibility of life in that old mine, and not a few believe strongly in the future of the property. As Toga drifts north on the 982-foot level, more quartz is encountered than was found nearer the Standard line.

Com. Paine reports a small but rich silver vein in its west crosscut, 600-foot level. Indeed, the western side of the ore channel affords more promise of value just now than at any previous period in the history of the district.

South Bulwer is sinking a vein in good ore at a depth of over 600 feet. The Oro is quietly sacking high grade ore, and at the same time drifting for the bonanza on the 520-foot level. The big Red Cloud shaft is steadily attaining depth, and a crosscut will soon be running for the Concordia and Red Cloud ledges.

Thus the prospecting work at the Standard, Lent and Red Cloud shafts is likely to culminate about the same time, and it is not unreasonable to anticipate that important developments will be made in one, two, or all three of the points indicated. Following is the detailed statement of work at the various mines during the past week:

Standard Con.

From Superintendent William Irwin's report for the week ending May 14th. Extracted and shipped to the mills 1212 tons of ore from the 300, 285, 500 and 550-foot levels. Average pulp assay, \$38 33. Crude bullion received, 4920 ounces. Shipped to the company, \$40,023 14. During the past week the east crosscut, 1000-foot level, has been extended 10 feet; total length, 267 feet.

The character of the rock cut through remains about the same. The west crosscut is in 207 feet, having been run 7 feet since last report. The face of this crosscut is in a very favorable formation.

The east crosscut, 700-foot level, has been advanced 13 feet; total length, 643 feet. There is no change in the crosscut. The south drift, 500-foot level, is in from the east crosscut 255 feet; progress during the past week, 12 feet, showing the ledge in the face of the drift to be 6 feet wide. North drift No. 1, 355-foot level, has been run 14 feet since last report; total length, 320 feet. The vein at the point is about 20 feet wide of clean ore.

The upraise on West Standard vein has reached a height of 118 feet. The ledge here is 5 feet wide. The work of sinking the shaft—the bottom of which is in good blasting rock—was resumed during the past week, and good progress is being made in cutting out for the fourth time the 1000-foot level. There has been no change worthy of mention in the appearance of the veins in the Standard.

On the 385-foot level the vein holds its usual width of from 10 to 25 feet, and on the 550-foot level it is about 15 feet wide.

Con. Pacific.

From the letter of Superintendent Martin Jones for the week ending May 14th: We have struck some rich silver ore in the west crosscut on the 600 level. The course of the vein is northwest and southeast, and it first made its appearance in the southerly side of the face of the crosscut, crossed the course of the same diagonally to the northwest, and at present it appears only a few inches in width in the face of the crosscut, but is proving on further development to be a leader to the main vein lying further west.

A sample taken from the point where we first encountered it gave \$50 22 in gold and \$80 14 in silver; total, \$230 36. Total length of crosscut, 156 feet. The north drift on Pacific lode No. 2 has been advanced eight feet since last report; total length, 80 feet, with no change to note.

The entire face of the drift is in vein matter with ore of medium grade on the west side. The west crosscut on the 500-foot level has been advanced six feet; total length, 125 feet. We have cut through some quartz and clay that gives low assays.

Homer M. and M. Co.

From the letter of Superintendent Martin Jones for the week ending May 14th: The face of the west crosscut from the Crevasse tunnel is passing through easier working ground. Progress for the week, four feet; total length, 297 feet. The north drift on the Wasatch lode is now in 41 feet north of the crosscut, the vein being 2 1/2 feet in width of good milling ore. We have commenced to repair the trail leading from the mill-site to the tunnel. We have also commenced work on the water ditch near the fountain head, where the winter storms compelled us to suspend work last year. The frost is not yet out of the ground, but we can make fair progress.

Toga.

From Superintendent C. H. Golding's letter for the week ending May 14th:

Since the report of the 7th instant the north lateral drift from the east crosscut, 982-foot level, has been advanced 12 feet, its present total length being 112 feet. In this drift we are still following the foot-wall of the vein. The face is one-half in quart of good quality, the quartz appearing to widen as the drift is advanced. We have advanced the west crosscut from the same level 23 feet. This moving the face is in a mixture of clay and quartz. The flow of water from the east crosscut continues about the same as at last report.

South Bulwer.

The new double engine is working admirably, and sinking was resumed last Wednesday, not in the main shaft, but in the ore winze from the south drift, 60 feet below the 550-foot level. The vein is 4 1/2 feet wide, filling the whole bottom of the winze, all clean ore of good milling grade. The flow of water in the bottom of the shaft has decreased, the pumps handling it with ease with a run of two hours in every 24. Should the ledge in the bottom of the winze continue to improve as at present, the main shaft will shortly be pushed down and another level opened.

Bulwer Con.

From Superintendent William Irwin's report for the week ending May 14th: The west crosscut from the south drift, 200-foot level, Ralston ledge, is in 173 feet; progress for the week, 18 feet. The character of the ground remains unchanged. The upraise on the Stonewall ledge, 400-foot level, has been raised 12 feet during the week, and is now up 55 feet. The ledge in the top is about 3 1/2 feet wide.

Oro.

During the past week the north drift, 520-foot level, has been advanced 22 feet and is now in a total distance of 114 feet. The 440-foot level winze has been sunk 18 feet during the week, and is now down 46 feet. At a point 39 feet down they have started a drift north on the foot-wall which is now in 8 1/2 feet. The water has generally decreased. The 520 foot drift, south lateral drift, and winze, 440 foot level, have been steadily timbered as the ground is swelling. There are 535 sacks of rich ore on hand.

Boston Con.

From the letter of Superintendent Jones for the week ending May 14th: The main incline shaft has reached a depth of 89 feet below the 300-foot station, a gain of seven feet since last report, the bottom is in good working ground. We are now cutting some quartz stringers on the east side of the shaft a few days ago, but from appearances we are in country rock and as far from the vein as at the 300 foot station. Will have our sump and station completed at the 400-foot level by June 15th.

Bodie Tunnel.

Still drifting north and south in good ore on vein No. 7. The company has leased the Miners' mill for a long period, and the mill has started up on ore from No. 7 vein, which promises to keep the mill supplied.

South Noonday.

The new shaft is now down 165 feet and sinking is making good progress. Formation is favorable for sinking and the shaft is cutting stringers of quartz coming in from the east leading down toward the main ledge.

Novelties in Millinery.

The Misses May and Ellen Read on Monday morning received a fine lot of new and stylish spring and summer millinery goods, at their store on the east side of Main street, two doors south of Mill. They invite the ladies of Bodie to inspect them. These ladies do dress-making in all its branches, and cut and fit by the Taylor system. See their advertisement in another column of the FREE PRESS.

Suicide.

On the 14th instant a man named Charles Carter committed suicide at Sweetwater, in Esmeralda county.

An inquest was held by Justice Kentland, and a verdict rendered that he came to his death by shooting himself through the head with a pistol ball. Deceased was an Odd Fellow and was buried by that order, under the direction of J. R. Kennedy, P. G. His nativity was not learned.

Horse Injured.

Yesterday morning a horse belonging to Wm. Rogers, a teamster, fell down while being driven along the Geiger grade. There were four horses in the team, and the horse which was making in all its branches, and cut and fit by the Taylor system. See their advertisement in another column of the FREE PRESS.

Grand Opening.

